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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Otmar KLINGLER et al.) Group Art Unit: 1625
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Application No.: 09/874,318) Examiner: Raymond K. Covington
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Filed: June 6, 2001) **Notice of Allowance Dated January**
) **15, 2004**
For: NOVEL FACTOR VIIA)
INHIBITORY (THIO)UREA) **Confirmation Number: 6154**
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PREPARATION AND THEIR USE)

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Sir:

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowability and Statement of Reasons for Allowance dated January 15, 2004. Without withdrawing the claims from issue, Applicants submit these comments to clarify the present invention.


With respect to the Examiner's statement regarding "the heterocyclic containing compounds and their use," Applicants respectfully point out that it is the present specification that enables one of ordinary skill in the art to make and use the full scope of compounds of formula I as presently claimed, including compounds comprising a Het group. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner has inadvertently mischaracterized the presently claimed invention. Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's statement regarding the prior art. See page 2 of the Notice of Allowability.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter these Comments, and
charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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